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1975 PER CAPITA RED MEAT CONSUMPTION INCREASED IN MOST COUNTRIES

In the 49 countries reporting red meat per capita consumption, over half reported increases in 1975 and only about a quarter reported declines from 1974 levels.

Seven countries reported reductions of more than 2 kilograms in per capita consumption. In the United States, Chile, Ireland, Taiwan, and the United Kingdom the declines were a result of reduced domestic pork production.

High world grain prices in the last half of 1974 caused producers in these countries to cut back on breeding sows and reduce farrowings. In 1975 when grain prices fell, producers were unable to take advantage of the situation because of the reduced breeding herd. In addition, relatively low beef prices in 1975 discouraged immediate expansion of pork production.

In the two other countries, the declines were caused by reduced consumption of beef. In Denmark, exports to other European Community (EC) countries reduced beef supplies. In Italy, an 18 percent tax on retail beef prices discouraged beef imports and consumption.

Most of the countries reporting sharp increases in red meat per capita consumption were beef exporters—Costa Rica, Argentina, Uruguay, Australia, and New Zealand. The major reason was increased domestic beef production and restricted export markets. However, in Bulgaria the increase was a result of sharply higher domestic pork production, and in Japan and Iran it was caused by increased red meat imports.

During 1975, domestic pork output in the United States and Canada fell while beef production was at a record high level. There was also a fall in per capita poultry meat consumption in both countries.

In the EC, beef output slightly exceeded the prior record (1974) level. Pork production fell 3 percent because of the sharp declines in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Average per capita red meat consumption was down, largely because of declines in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Italy, and Denmark. There were no sharp declines in total EC pork or poultry output.

In those EC countries with full Common Agricultural Policy support and protection for livestock production, there were no large declines in output because the high grain prices were to some extent compensated for by meat support prices and controls on imports.

In the USSR, consumption increased slightly because of increased domestic production and continued heavy meat imports.

In Japan, per capita red meat consumption was up because of higher domestic beef production and increased pork imports. Beef imports remained depressed because new import quotas were not issued until the end of the year. Pork imports were up 200 percent to more than 177,000 tons as the 10 percent duty was waived because of high domestic pork prices.

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BEEF AND VEAL:1/ PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION IN SPECIFIED COUNTRIES
ANNUAL 1969-75 (KILOS)

Continent and country	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975 2/
North America:							
Canada	44	43	42	43	43	45	49
Costa Rica	10	12	13	12	10	7	10
Dominican Republic	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
El Salvador	6	6	6	5	5	6	6
Guatemala	8	8	8	8	7	7	9
Honduras	5	5	7	5	6	7	7
Mexico	10	11	10	10	13	14	14
Nicaragua	14	13	15	14	14	13	14
Panama	23	23	25	25	25	24	25
United States	52	53	52	54	51	54	56
South America:							
Argentina	92	82	65	63	68	79	85
Brazil	19	18	17	18	22	19	20
Chile	19	20	18	16	11	22	22
Colombia	19	19	21	18	15	16	18
Paraguay	39	41	38	31	27	31	30
Peru	8	9	8	7	6	6	6
Uruguay	82	79	73	64	65	76	86
Venezuela	21	19	20	20	20	20	21
Europe:							
Western:							
EC:							
Belgium-Luxembourg	27	28	28	28	28	31	30
Denmark	21	21	20	17	16	23	18
France	30	30	29	28	28	31	30
Germany, West	24	25	25	24	24	24	24
Ireland	17	18	20	20	14	29	29
Italy	24	25	26	25	28	26	23
Netherlands	19	20	19	17	18	20	21
United Kingdom	24	25	25	24	23	25	26
EC average	21	26	26	25	25	26	26
Austria	22	23	23	22	23	26	28
Finland	21	21	21	22	19	23	25
Greece	16	18	17	16	19	16	17
Norway	15	14	16	16	16	17	19
Portugal	10	11	11	12	12	14	13
Spain	11	12	11	11	13	12	14
Sweden	19	19	17	15	16	19	19
Switzerland	26	27	27	26	26	25	24
Eastern:							
Bulgaria	11	11	10	10	12	12	13
Czechoslovakia	24	25	22	22	26	25	25
Hungary	9	9	9	9	9	12	10
Poland	16	16	15	15	15	19	20
Yugoslavia	10	11	12	10	12	15	16
USSR	21	21	21	22	22	25	25
Africa:							
South Africa, Rep. of	21	20	22	22	22	20	20
Asia:							
China, Rep. of (Taiwan)	1	1	1	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	2
Iran	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Israel	19	19	19	10	10	11	11
Japan	2	3	3	4	4	3	4
Philippines	3	2	2	3	3	3	3
Turkey	5	5	5	4	4	5	6
Oceania:							
Australia	43	41	42	43	51	56	67
New Zealand	52	44	39	52	43	52	66

1/ Carcass weight basis. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Less than 500 grams.

PORK:1/ PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION IN SPECIFIED COUNTRIES
ANNUAL 1969-75 (KILOS)

Continent and country	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975 2/
North America:							
Canada	25	27	30	28	26	27	22
Costa Rica	3	4	4	4	4	4	4
Dominican Republic	2	3	3	4	4	4	4
El Salvador	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Guatemala	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Honduras	3	3	3	3	3	3	4
Mexico	6	6	7	7	7	6	6
Nicaragua	8	8	8	8	7	8	8
Panama	4	5	5	4	5	5	4
United States	29	30	33	31	28	30	25
South America:							
Argentina	9	9	10	9	10	10	9
Brazil	7	7	6	6	7	7	7
Chile	4	4	4	6	5	6	3
Colombia	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Paraguay	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Peru	4	3	4	3	3	3	3
Uruguay	9	8	6	7	8	10	9
Venezuela	5	4	4	5	5	4	5
Europe:							
Western:							
EC:							
Belgium-Luxembourg	29	31	31	36	38	39	39
Denmark	35	40	36	40	47	37	37
France	28	28	30	30	30	31	31
Germany, West	37	38	41	42	41	43	44
Ireland	27	30	30	31	31	31	26
Italy	11	13	14	15	16	17	18
Netherlands	25	25	29	29	26	29	29
United Kingdom	28	28	30	30	28	27	22
EC average	26	27	29	30	30	31	30
Austria	37	37	38	40	40	40	41
Finland	18	21	22	23	25	25	27
Greece	6	6	8	8	11	12	12
Norway	18	18	19	19	19	21	21
Portugal	11	11	11	13	14	15	15
Spain	13	15	14	16	18	20	19
Sweden	27	28	30	29	29	32	33
Switzerland	30	31	32	33	35	34	34
Eastern:							
Bulgaria	14	13	16	19	18	19	28
Czechoslovakia	26	27	29	30	30	32	33
Hungary	29	32	32	36	37	41	44
Poland	24	24	28	30	33	34	33
Yugoslavia	16	17	21	19	19	24	23
USSR	12	13	15	15	14	15	16
Africa:							
South Africa, Rep. of	4	4	4	4	4	4	3
Asia:							
China, Rep. of (Taiwan)	22	24	24	24	28	25	18
Iran	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Israel	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Japan	5	6	7	8	9	9	10
Philippines	11	10	10	8	9	8	8
Turkey	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Oceania:							
Australia	10	14	14	15	17	14	12
New Zealand	13	14	13	14	10	12	12

1/ Carcass weight basis. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Less than 500 grams.

MUTTON, LAMB, AND GOATMEAT:1/ PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION IN SPECIFIED COUNTRIES
ANNUAL 1969-75 (KILOS)

Continent and country	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975 2/
North America:							
Canada	3	3	2	3	2	1	2
Costa Rica	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Dominican Republic	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
El Salvador	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Guatemala	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Honduras	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mexico	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nicaragua	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Panama	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
United States	2	2	1	2	1	1	1
South America:							
Argentina	6	5	7	5	4	4	4
Brazil	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chile	3	2	3	2	1	3	2
Colombia	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Paraguay	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Peru	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Uruguay	29	24	26	17	10	11	9
Venezuela	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Europe:							
Western:							
EC:							
Belgium-Luxembourg	1	1	1	1	1	1	(3/)
Denmark	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
France	3	3	3	3	3	3	4
Germany, West	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Ireland	11	11	11	11	10	11	11
Italy	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Netherlands	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
United Kingdom	10	10	10	10	9	8	9
EC average	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Austria	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Finland	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Greece	13	14	17	16	16	12	13
Norway	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Portugal	2	3	3	2	3	3	3
Spain	4	4	4	4	4	5	4
Sweden	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Switzerland	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Eastern:							
Bulgaria	10	10	10	10	10	9	6
Czechoslovakia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hungary	1	1	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Poland	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Yugoslavia	3	2	3	3	2	2	2
USSR	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Africa:							
South Africa, Rep. of	8	10	9	6	5	5	5
Asia:							
China, Rep. of (Taiwan)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Iran	8	7	6	7	7	7	9
Israel	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Japan	2	2	2	2	2	1	2
Philippines	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Turkey	9	10	10	8	8	9	9
Oceania:							
Australia	40	39	43	38	26	25	22
New Zealand	30	31	32	32	24	25	17

1/ Carcass weight basis. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Less than 500 grams.

TOTAL MEAT:1/ PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION IN SPECIFIED COUNTRIES
ANNUAL 1969-75 (KILOS)

Continent and country	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975 2/
North America:							
Canada	72	73	74	74	71	73	73
Costa Rica	13	16	17	16	14	11	14
Dominican Republic	8	9	9	10	10	10	10
El Salvador	9	9	9	8	8	9	9
Guatemala	10	10	10	10	9	9	10
Honduras	8	8	10	8	9	10	11
Mexico	17	18	18	18	21	21	21
Nicaragua	22	21	23	22	21	21	22
Panama	27	28	30	29	30	29	29
United States	83	85	87	86	80	85	82
South America:							
Argentina	107	96	82	77	82	93	98
Brazil	27	26	24	25	30	27	28
Chile	26	26	25	24	17	31	27
Colombia	23	23	25	22	19	20	22
Paraguay	39	41	38	31	27	31	30
Peru	15	15	15	13	12	12	12
Uruguay	120	111	105	88	83	97	104
Venezuela	26	23	24	25	25	24	26
Europe:							
Western:							
EC:							
Belgium-Luxembourg	60	64	63	68	71	74	73
Denmark	56	61	56	57	63	60	55
France	63	63	64	63	62	67	67
Germany, West	61	63	66	66	65	67	68
Ireland	55	59	61	62	55	71	66
Italy	37	40	42	42	46	45	43
Netherlands	46	47	50	48	46	51	52
United Kingdom	62	63	65	64	60	60	57
EC average	52	57	59	59	58	61	59
Austria	59	60	61	62	63	66	69
Finland	40	43	44	46	45	49	53
Greece	35	38	42	40	46	40	42
Norway	39	37	40	40	40	43	45
Portugal	23	25	25	27	29	32	31
Spain	28	31	29	31	35	37	37
Sweden	48	49	49	46	47	53	54
Switzerland	58	60	61	61	63	61	60
Eastern:							
Bulgaria	35	34	36	39	40	40	47
Czechoslovakia	51	53	52	53	57	58	59
Hungary	39	42	41	45	46	53	54
Poland	41	41	44	46	49	54	54
Yugoslavia	29	30	36	32	33	41	41
USSR	37	38	40	41	40	44	45
Africa:							
South Africa, Rep. of	33	34	35	32	31	29	28
Asia:							
China, Rep. of (Taiwan)	23	25	25	24	28	25	20
Iran	10	9	8	9	9	9	11
Israel	20	20	20	11	11	12	13
Japan	10	12	12	15	16	14	16
Philippines	14	12	12	11	12	11	11
Turkey	14	15	15	12	12	14	15
Oceania:							
Australia	93	94	99	96	94	95	101
New Zealand	95	89	84	92	77	89	95

1/ Carcass weight basis including horsemeat. 2/ Preliminary.

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